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FM AMEMBASSY LA PAZ

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5379

INFO AMEMBASSY MADRID PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY BONN PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES PRIORITY

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E.OM 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, EAIR, BL

SUBJECT: HIJACKING THREAT

REF: (A) LA PAZ 321 (B) STATE 011416

1. BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT FULLY COOPERATING WITH BRANIFF, LUFTHANSA, AEROLINEAS ARGENTINAS AND IBERIA RE THREAT RECEIVED JANUARY 15 (REFTEL A). TIGHT ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES HAVE BEEN INSTITUTED AT LA PAZ'S EL ALTO AIRPORT AND POLICE OFFICERS NOW STATIONED AT EACH AIRLINE'S OFFICE. POLICE HAVE OFFERED PERSONAL GUARDS TO LOCAL AIRLINE EXECUTIVES. GOVERNMENT APPEARS TO BE CONDUCTING THOROUGH INVESTIGATION. APPARENTLY WITHOUT RESULTS POLICE SENT DECOY JANUARY 16 TO DESIGNATED DROP.

2. GOB MINISTRY OF INTERIOR RECOMMENDED THAT AIRLINES NOT RPT NOT PAY BLACKMAIL. IT HAS SUGGESTED TO AIRLINES THAT TO GAIN TIME IF TELEPHONE CONTACT MADE BLACKMAILERS BE TOLD THAT LARGE SUM DOLLARS NOT AVAILABLE TIN COUNTRY
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AND MUST BE OBTAINED FROM HOME OFFICES. BRANIFF'S

ASSISTANT LOCAL MANAGER STATES THAT HE WORKING ON FIXED
ASSUMPTION BRANIFF WOULD NOT CONSIDER PAYMENT.

3. IN VIEW GOB'S ENERGETIC REACTION AND RECOMMENDED
TACTICS, EMBASSY HAS NOT MADE REPRESENTATIONS TO GOVERN-
MENT ALTHOUGH WE HAVE INDICATED OUR INTEREST TO GOB
AND HAVE TOLD BRANIFF OF OUR WILLINGNESS TO INTERVENE
WITH GOVERNMENT IF AND WHEN LOCAL BRANIFF OFFICIALS
SEE NEED.
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